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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PINT, IT
SUBJ: BERLINGUER: WE DID IT FOR THE COUNTRY

REF: TRIESTE 0291

1. SUMMARY. PCI PARTY CHIEF BERLINGUER FINALLY ARRIVED IN TRIESTE JUNE 17, TO HOLD A MAJOR RALLY ONLY TO BE DRIVEN INDOORS BY A VIOLENT RAIN SQUALL. HE HIT MAJOR THEMES INCLUDING LEONE'S RESIGNATION, EARTHQUAKE, OSIMO, AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER PARTIES. END SUMMARY.

2. LONG-AWAITED APPEARANCE OF BERLINGUER WAS LITERALLY A WASHOUT AS STRONG RAINS DROVE HIM AND THE PARTY FAITHFUL INDOORS. HE HAD MOSTLY THE LEONE RESIGNATION ON HIS MIND, NOTING THAT IT WAS THE PCI ROLE WHICH WAS DECISIVE IN FORCING LEONE TO LEAVE OFFICE. THEY DID IT, HE SAID, NOT FOR PARTY INTERESTS BUT FOR THE GREATER INTERESTS OF
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DEMOCRACY AND THE COUNTRY. IF THE PCI HAD NOT MADE ITS MOVE, BERLINGUER SAID, THERE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ANY RESIGNATION. WITHOUT THE RESIGNATIONS, ITALY WOULD HAVE LOST PRESTIGE AND CONFIDENCE BOTH AT HOME AND ABROAD WITH THE CONSEQUENCES OF A FURTHER AND SERIOUS DETERIORATION OF THE SITUATION.

3. AS FOR IMMEDIATE GOALS, BERLINGUER SAID THAT THE PCI IS SEEKING TO CONSOLIDATE PRESENT POLITICAL AND PARLIAMENTARY RELATIONSHIPS. AS FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS, BERLINGUER SAID THEY HAD NO SPECIFIC CHOICE AT THIS TIME, SINCE THE PARTY HAD TO MEET AND DECIDE. WHAT WAS NOT TRUE, HE SAID, WAS THE RUMORED SECRET AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE DC AND THE PCI IN THIS REGARD.

4. BERLINGUER REPEATED THE SAME THEMES AT A PRESS CONFERENCE IN MONFALCONE AND IN A SPEECH LATER IN THE DAY IN PORDENONE JUNE 18. MOEN.

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